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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Jen Lein deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of **December**, **2013**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

Order Certifying Use of Federal Universal Services Support List of Rural Carriers Certification Letter Affidavits of Certification

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TW-A306
Washington DC 20554

Karen Majcher Vice President, High Cost & Low Income Universal Service Administrative Company 2000 L Steet, NW, Suite 200 Washington DC 20036

Cert. No. 7013 0600 0001 7154 5291

Cert. No. 7012 3460 0000 6344 1379

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of **December**, 2013.

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RE: WC Docket No. 10-90, Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.314

Attached is a table listing of carriers that have accounted to the North Dakota Public Service Commission by Affidavit that all federal support they will receive will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. The table also provides the study area codes of the companies.

Also attached is a copy of the December 4, 2013 Order of the North Dakota Public Service Commission and the affidavits from the companies listed.

Sincerely,

Patrick Fahn, Director

Compliance and Competitive Markets

ND Public Service Commission

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Telecommunications Carrier	Non-Rural/Rural Status	Study Area Code
Absaraka Co-operative Telephone Company, Inc.	Rural	381601
Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership	CETC	389009
BEK Communications Cooperative	Rural	381604
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC	Rural	381131
Consolidated Telcom	Rural	381607
Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc.	Rural	381610
Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative	Rural	381610
Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative	Rural	381611
Griggs County Telephone Company	Rural	381615
Halstad Telephone Company	Rural	381401 & 389002
Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC	Rural	381616
James Valley Telecommunications	Rural	391664
Loretel Systems, Inc.	Rural	361443
Midcontinent Communications	CETC	389011
Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative Inc.	Rural	482246
Midstate Communications Inc.	Rural	381638
Midstate Telephone Company	Rural	381617
Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.	Rural	382247
Moore & Liberty Telephone Company	Rural	381622
Nemont Telephone Cooperative Inc.	Rurai	382247
New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC	CETC	389015
North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership	CETC	389006
North Dakota 5- Kidder Limited Partnership	CETC	389010
North Dakota Network Co.	CETC	389004
North Dakota RSA 3 of North Dakota Limited Partnership	CETC	389008
North Dakota Telephone Company	Rural	381447
Northwest Communications Cooperative, a Cooperative Association	Rural	381625
Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership	CETC	389007
Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation	Rural	381630 & 381614
Polar Telcom, Inc.	Rural	389003
Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink, Inc.	Non-rural	385144
RC Communications, Inc.	Rural	399010
Red River Rural Telephone Association	Rural	381631
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	Rural	381632
Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association	Rural	391674
Sagebrush Cellular, Inc.	CETC	389013
SRT Communications, Inc.	Rural	383303 381636
Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc.	Rural	
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation	Rural	381636
Venture Communications Cooperative	Rural	391680
West River Cooperative Telephone Company	Rural	391689
West River Telecommunications Cooperative	Rural	381637
Wolverton Telephone Company	Rural	381509

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#### ORDER CERTIFYING USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICES SUPPORT

#### December 4, 2013

Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act) requires that telecommunications carriers use universal service support "only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended." On May 23, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released its Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 (Fourteenth R&O). The Fourteenth R&O requires that each state public utility regulatory authority file an annual certification with the FCC to ensure that rural telecommunications carriers receiving federal funds under the program use the support only as provided in Section 254(e) of the Act. State certification must be filed no later than October 1 of each year in order for certified telecommunications carriers to receive support for the following year, 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(d).

On August 28, 2002, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) issued an order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 indicating that any telecommunications carrier providing local exchange service in North Dakota that desires to have NDPSC certification to the FCC under 47 C.F.R. §54.314 shall file an affidavit with the NDPSC by September 14 of each year, as described in the order, certifying that federal support they receive is used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended as required by Section 254(e). The NDPSC further ordered that affidavits filed with the NDPSC will be the basis for the NDPSC's certification to the FCC.

Affidavits regarding use of federal universal service support were filed with the NDPSC by the companies listed in the ordering clause below.

Under North Dakota law, the NDPSC has limited jurisdiction over rural telecommunications carriers. The FCC in its order recognized that some states have only limited regulatory oversight to ensure that federal universal support is reflected in intrastate rates and concluded that such states may nonetheless certify to the FCC that carriers in the state had accounted to the state commission for receipt of federal support, and that the support will be used as required under Section 254(e). (See Fourteenth R&O at ¶ 188). The FCC also recognized that some carriers may not be

subject to the jurisdiction of a state regulatory authority, and in those instances carriers can certify directly to the FCC by means of a sworn affidavit executed by a corporate officer attesting to the use of the support only for purposes permitted under the Act. (See Fourteenth R&O at ¶ 189).

Based on the foregoing, the NDPSC issues the following:

#### · Order

1. The NDPSC certifies that the following Eligible Telecommunications Carriers providing local exchange service in North Dakota have accounted to the NDPSC by affidavit that all federal support that was used in the preceding calendar year and all federal support that will be used in the coming calendar year will be used for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, under and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the company's study area.

Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership **BEK Communications Cooperative** Consolidated Telecom Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative Griggs County Telephone Co. Inter-Community Telephone Co., LLC Midstate Communications, Inc. Midstate Telephone Company Missouri Valley Communications Moore and Liberty Telephone Company Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc. North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership North Dakota RSA 3 Limited Partnership

North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited Partnership North Dakota Network Co. North Dakota Telephone Company Northwest Communications Cooperative, A Cooperative Association Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation Polar Telecom, Inc. **Qwest Communications dba** CenturyLink, Inc. Reservation Telephone Cooperative Sagebrush Cellular, Inc. SRT Communications, Inc. **Turtle mountain Communications** United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation West River Telecommunications Cooperative Wolverton Telephone Company

2. The NDPSC certifies that the following Eligible Telecommunications Carriers providing local exchange service in North Dakota have accounted to the NDPSC by affidavit that all federal support that was used in calendar year 2012 and all federal support received in calendar year 2014 will be used for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, under and

consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the company's study area.

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC

New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC West River Cooperative Telephone Company

3. The NDPSC certifies that the following Eligible Telecommunications Carriers providing local exchange service in North Dakota have accounted to the NDPSC by affidavit that all federal support that was used in calendar year 2013 and all federal support received in calendar year 2014 will be used for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, under and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the company's study area.

Midcontinent Communications

Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

4. The NDPSC certifies that the following Eligible Telecommunications Carriers providing local exchange service in North Dakota have accounted to the NDPSC by affidavit that all federal support that will be used in calendar year 2014 will be used for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, under and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the company's study area.

Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc. Halstad Telephone Company Loretel Systems, Inc. RC Communications, Inc. Red River Rural Telephone Association Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association Venture Communications Cooperative

5. The NDPSC certifies that the following Eligible Telecommunications Carriers providing local exchange service in North Dakota have accounted to the NDPSC by affidavit that federal support received has been and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, under and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the company's study area.

James Valley Telecommunications

 The NDPSC certification is based upon the affidavits filed by the foregoing named Eligible Telecommunications Carriers. 8. The North Dakota Public Service Commission will send a copy of each of the filed affidavits to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION** 

Randy Christmann

Commissioner

Brian P. Kalk Chairman Julie Fedorchak

# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FCC Mail Room CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45 AND WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF ABSARAKA COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO., INC. REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

Steve Monilaws, does hereby swear and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is President of the Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Co., Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company").
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter the "PSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filling this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, the "FCC"), dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. 54.314 The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the PSC dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013, and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that it only used the Support that the Company received during the preceding calendar year and will only use the Support in the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. 54.314. The Company will use the Support to support the following services: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers (j) high speed internet.

Dated this 25 day of Nov , 2013.

Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Co., Inc.

Ann Faught

General Manager

#### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, CASE NO. PU-13-333

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## AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

# AFFIDAVIT OF BADLANDS CELLULAR OF NORTH DAKOTA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-1226-03-597, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389007 to the Company.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification by the state to the FCC and USAC that all high-cost federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 and the September 9, 2013 Notice issued by Patrick Fahn on September 9, 2013 in Case No. PU-13-333. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support received during the preceding calendar year, and to be used in the coming calendar year, was and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7 and 54.314.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2013.

Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership

By

Mark R. Smith

Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership

State of Georgia

) ss.

County of Fulton

On this 15th day of November, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Mark R. Smith, Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership.

Notary Public

My Commission expires MC CV

TAMI KUSHINER
NOTARY PUBLIC
OULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA
MISSION EXPIRES MARCH 6, 2017

# FCC Mail Room BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss
County of Kidder	)

Derrick Bulawa, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by BEK Communications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number WC 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to BEK Communications Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R.§ 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional

equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.			
Dated this 4 day of OCTOB e, 2013.			
BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE  By			
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.			
County of Kidder )			
On this, day of, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DERRICK BULAWA, known to me to be the Manager of BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.			
Corporation executed the same.			
PAUL D. OLSON Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires July 26, 2019  Notary Public For the State of North Dakota My commission expires: July 26, 2019			

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STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	)ss
COUNTY OF MONROE	)

Kenneth Mason, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC (the "Company"), as its Vice President, Regulatory. Affiant is an officer of the Company and is authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is provided to support the request of the Company for certification by the North Dakota Public Service Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in CC Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 0l-157) and the order of the FCC released November 18, 2011 in CC Docket Number 96-45 and WC Docket Number 10-90 et al. (FCC 11-161), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support provided to such carriers within each state was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used by in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support it received during the four quarters of 2012 was used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support was intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7, and that the Company used the Support to support the services designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101 as in effect at that time. The Company also certifies that the federal Support it will receive during the four quarters of 2014 will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant

to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R § 54.7, and that the Company will use the Support to support the services designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101.

#### FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

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Name	
Name	
	Name

STATE OF NEW YORK ) )ss.
COUNTY OF MONROE )

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of October, 2013.

DEBORAH M. FASCIANO
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Monroe County
No. 01FA5048034
My Commission Expires

Notary Public

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### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF CONSOLIDATED TELCOM REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
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County of Stark	)

Paul Schuetzler, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Consolidated Telcom (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding Calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Consolidated Telcom was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use

limitation services to quali	fying low-income	consumers.
Dated this 4th d	ay of October	, 2013.
		CONSOLIDATED TELCOM
Sas:	e .	By Schuetzler Its: Manager
State of North Dakota	)	
County of Stark	) ss.	5

On this 45 day of October, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared PAUL SCHUETZLER, known to me to be

the Manager of CONSOLIDATED TELCOM, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed

for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll

BRYAN W PERSONNE Notary Public, State of North Dakota My Commission Expires June 23, 2017

the same.

My Peusus Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

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#### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM IREGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
*	) ss. ·
County of Foster	)

Keith Larson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Dakota Central Telecom I (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R.§ 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b)

minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.			
Dated this 4 day of October, 2013.			
DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, INC.			
By feat faron			
Kelth Larson Its: Manager			
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.			
County of Foster )			
On this 4th day of Octobe , 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KEITH LARSON, known to me to be the Manager of DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.			
Tou Solbing, Notary Public			
Notory Ablic For the State of North Dakota, My commission expires: /// 12/2019			

### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
-	) ss.
County of Foster	)

Keith Larson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding Calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R.§ 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its

functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4 day of October	2013.		
DAKOTA CI TELECOMM	ENTRAL UNICATIONS COOPERATIVE		
Keith Lars Its: Mana			
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.			
County of Foster )			
On this 4th day of 0 to be 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KEITH LARSON, known to me to be the Manager of DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.			
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### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF DICKEY RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
190	) ss.
County of Dickey	)

Robert Johnson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional

emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to q	
Dated this 7th day of October	_, 2013.
COOPE	Y RURAL TELEPHONE ERATIVE
	ert Johnson Manager
State of North Da <u>kota</u> ) ) ss.	
County of Dickey )	
505/n	IOHNSON, known to me to be the RATIVE, the corporation that is
м	TROY M. SCHILLING Notary Public State of North Dakota y Commission Expires January 29, 2019

## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02746 Mail Room AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss
County of Griggs	)

Tyler Kilde, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Griggs County Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Griggs County Telephone Company was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional

emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Dated this 29th day of Ottol	<u>er</u> , 2013.
	GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY  By Tyler Kilde Its: Manager
State of North Dakota ) County of Griggs ) ss.	
On this 29 <sup>th</sup> day of Otoler for said County and State, personally appears Manager of GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE Of in and that executed the within instrument, and executed the same.	COMPANY, the corporation that is described
SUSAN SCHROEDER Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires Nov. 14, 2013	Susan Schroeder, Notary Public For the State of North Dakota  My commission expires: 11-14-13

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF HALSTAD TELEPHONE COMPANY STUDY AREA 361401
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) ) ss.
COUNTY OF NORMAN )



Thomas Maroney, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Halstad Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company") in the position of Chief Executive Officer.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act) and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support) pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order") as codified in 47 C.F.R and 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.

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The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R and 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated July 29. 2013

Thomas Maroney

Chief Executive Officer

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF NORMAN

On this 31 day of July 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Thomas Maroney, known to me to be the Chief Executive Officer of Halstad Telephone Company, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

My Commission Expires:

## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-43\$-6264Wail Room and Before the Federal Communications Commission in Docket No. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC, REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Barnes	)

Keith Andersen, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its

functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 23'd day of Octobar	, 2013.
	INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC By Keith Andersen Its: Manager
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.	
County of Barnes )	
On this 23rd day of October and for said County and State, personally appeared the Manager of INTER-COMMUNITY TELE that is described in and that executed the within such corporation executed the same.	PHONE COMPANY, LLC, the corporation
MARY E PETERSON Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Exoires August 7, 2014	May E Peters, Notary Public For the State of North Dakota My commission expires:

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#### **AFFIDAVIT**

As an authorized representative of James Valley Telecommunications, I, James Groft hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, with respect to the receipt of any federal universal service funds received as high-cost loop support, local switching support, safety net additive support, and/or safety valve support and hereby affirm that any such support amounts received by James Valley Telecommunications will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).

Subscribed and Sworn to before me the 25th day of June

My Commission expires: March 7 2017

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF LORETEL SYS	STEMS, INC.	STUDY	AREA 361443
REGARDING CERTIFICATION	OF USE OF FEDERA	L UNIVERSAL SERV	ICE SUPPORT
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STATE OF MINNESOTA	) ) ss.	M JUN 2	7 2013
COUNTY OF OTTERTAIL	)	NORTH PUBLIC SERVI	DAKOTA CE COMMISSION

Staci Malikowski, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Loretel Systems, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company") in the position of Chief Financial Officer.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act) and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support) pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order") as codified in 47 C.F.R and 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.

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5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R and 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated June 20 . 2013

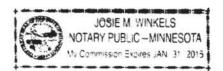
Staci Malikowski, Chief Financial Office

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) ss.
COUNTY OF OTTERTAIL )

On this day of June, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Staci Malikowski, known to me to be the Chief Financial Officer of Loretel Systems, Inc., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Notary Public for the State of North Dakota Minnesota

My Commission Expires: 1-31-15



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State of Minnesota )ss County of Hennepin

#### AFFIDAVIT

As an officer of Midcontinent Communications, I, Steven E. Grosser hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934 as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 Section 254(e) and in WC Docket No. 10-90. This is in respect to the receipt of any federal universal service funds received as high-cost loop support, local switching support, safety net additive support, and/or safety valve support. I hereby affirm that any such support amounts received by Midcontinent Communications during 2014 will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

> Steven E. Grosser Chief Financial Officer Midcontinent Communications

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

MARJORIE JOHNSON

Notary Print Name:

Motary Public

Print Name:
My Commission Expires: June 15, 2015

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## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-P2-45 Mail Room AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF MID-RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of Montana	)
	) ss.
County of McCone	) .

Alan Sevier, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of President.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314 and modified by the FCC's November 18, 2011 Transformation Order FCC 11-161, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014, and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that it only used support in 2013 and will only use support in 2014 for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7.

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2013.

MID-RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

Alan Sevie

Its: President

State of Montana

SS.

County of McCone )

On this <u>22<sup>nd</sup></u> day of October 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared ALAN SEVIER, known to me to be the President of MID-RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



DIANNE K. SUKUT NOTARY PUBLIC for the State of Montana Residing at Circle, Montana My Commission Expires January 12, 2016

(Signature of Notary)

(Affix Notarial Seal/Stamp Above)

## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-432-234Mail ROOM AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss
County of Mountrail	)

Ryan Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Midstate Communications, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional

emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.
Dated this 14 day of November, 2013.
By Ryan Wilhelmi Its: Manager
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.
County of Mountrail )
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equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to

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### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

### AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Mountrail	)

Ryan Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Midstate Telephone Company was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this	12 day of Naury	hev, 2013.	
ÿ		By Ryan Wilhelmi Its: Manager	'ANY
State of North Dakota	a ) ) ss.		
County of Mountrail	)		
for said County and S Manager of MIDSTAT	State, personally appeared TE TELEPHONE COMPA	_, 2013, before me, a Notary Public RYAN WILHELMI, known to me to NY, the corporation that is describe knowledged to me that such corporation with the such corporation with t	o be the ed in and poration  HOLLY KAISER Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires Sept 2, 2015  Y Public

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

### AFFIDAVIT OF MISSOURI VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICESUPPORT

State of Montana	)
	) ss.
County of Daniels	)

Remi Sun, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Missouri Valley Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Chief Financial Officer.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Missouri Valley Communications, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4th day of Octob	, 2013.
	MISSOURI VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
e = ==================================	Remi Sun Its: Chief Financial Officer
State of Montana ) ) ss.	
County of Daniels )	
said County and State, personally appear Financial Officer of MISSOURI VALLEY CO	, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for red REMI SUN, known to me to be the Chief DMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is instrument, and acknowledged to me that such
TARA L. BOZE  NOTARY PUBLIC for the  State of Montana  Residing at Flaxville, Montana  My Commission Expires	For the State of Montana My commission expires:

## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-14-1700m AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

### AFFIDAVIT OF MOORE AND LIBERTY TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)	
	) ss.	
County of Ransom	)	*

Tyler Kilde, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Moore and Liberty Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which 10-requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Moore and Liberty Telephone Company was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 29th day of October	, 2013.
	OMPANY Tyler Kilde Its: Manager
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.	
County of Ransom )	
On this 29 day of Ottober, 2 for said County and State, personally appeared Manager of MOORE AND LIBERTY TELEPHON described in and that executed the within instrume corporation executed the same.	TYLER KILDE, known to me to be the NE COMPANY, the corporation that is
State of North Dakota  My Commission Expires Nov. 14, 2013	Susan Schroeder, Notary Public or the State of North Dakota ly commission expires: 11-14-13

# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

### AFFIDAVIT OF NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of Montana	)
	) ss.
County of Daniels	)

Remi Sun, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Chief Financial Officer.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4th day of October, 2013.
NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.  By Remi Sun Its: Chief Financial Officer
State of Montana ) ) ss.
County of Daniels )
On this 4th day of, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared REMI SUN, known to me to be the Chief Financial Officer of NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.
TARA L. BOZE , Notary Public
State of Montana  Residing at Flaxville, Montana  My commission expires:
Residing at Flaxville, Montana My Commission Expires April 26, 2017  My Commission expires:  My Commission expires:

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

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Certification of NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Relating to Use of Federal Universal Service Funds PU-13-333 (FCC DOCKET NO. WC 10-90)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

- I, Hardmon Williams III, do hereby certify as follows:
- I serve as Vice President/General Manager for AT&T Mobility LLC ("Company"), and its subsidiary New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ("New Cingular"). My business address is 4300 Market Pointe Drive, Suite 350, Bloomington, Minnesota 55435.
- In my capacity as Vice President/General Manager, I am an authorized representative of the Company and its subsidiary licensees and am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of New Cingular.
- 3. New Cingular has been designated as Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") for the purpose of qualifying to obtain all available federal universal service support including, but not limited to, support for rural, insular and high costs areas, and for low-income customers, In the Matter of the Application of the New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier, Order, ND. PUC Case No. PU-11-86 (July 13, 2011).
- 4. New Cingular only used the federal high-cost universal service support received during the preceding calendar year (2012) and will only use the federal high-cost support received in the coming calendar year (2014) for the provision maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended as required by Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Executed on September 25, 2013

Hardmon Williams III

Vice President/General Manager Minnesota/Northern Plains Market

Signed at Bloomington, Minnesota

Subscribed and sworn to before me This 25 day of September, 2013

Karen Jean Frederickson Notary Public

> Minnesota 3 mmission Ends Jan. 31, 2014

My Commission Ends Jan. 31, 2014

Notary Public

#### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, CASE NO. PU-13-333

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## AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

#### AFFIDAVIT OF

NORTH CENTRAL RSA 2 OF NORTH DAKOTA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-1226-03-597, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389007 to the Company.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification by the state to the FCC and USAC that all high-cost federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 and the September 9, 2013 Notice issued by Patrick Fahn on September 9, 2013 in Case No. PU-13-333. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support received during the preceding calendar year, and to be used in the coming calendar year, was and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7 and 54.314.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2013.

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	Mark R. Smith
	Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc.
	d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of
	North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited
	Partnership

North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited

State of Georgia	)
	) ss.
County of Fulton	)

On this 15th day of November, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Mark R. Smith, Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership.

Notary Public

My Commission expires March C6, 2017

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# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, CASE NO. PU-13-333

## AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

#### AFFIDAVIT OF

NORTH DAKOTA 5 - KIDDER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-1226-03-597, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389007 to the Company.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification by the state to the FCC and USAC that all high-cost federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 and the September 9, 2013 Notice issued by Patrick Fahn on September 9, 2013 in Case No. PU-13-333. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support received during the preceding calendar year, and to be used in the coming calendar year, was and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7 and 54.314.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2013.

North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited Partnership

By

Mark R. Smith

Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited Partnership

State of Georgia

) ss.

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County of Fulton

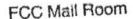
On this 15th day of November, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Mark R. Smith, Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited Partnership.

Notary Public

My Commission expires M

TAMI KUSHINER NOTARY PUBLIC FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 6, 2017

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# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK CO. REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Ward	)

Steven D. Lysne, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is Manager of North Dakota Network Co. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of CEO/General Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. §54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. §54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013, and for all quarters thereafter.

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Certification of use of federal universal services support

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5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to North Dakota Network Co. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 245(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. §54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. §54.101<sup>1</sup>, throughout the Company's study area: a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; b) minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge to end users; c) access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations, such as 911 and enhanced 911, to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier's service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems; and d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers as provided in Subpart E of 47 C.F.R. §54.400.

Dated this \_3 day of October, 2013.

NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK CO.

Steven D. I vene

Its: CEO/General Manager

State of North Dakota ) ss.
County of Ward )

On this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 2013 before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Steven D. Lysne, known to me to be the CEO/General Manager of North Dakota Network Co., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

TRACIE HANSEN
Notary Public
State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires Sept. 6, 2017

Notary Public for the State of

North Dakota

My Commission expires: 52pt 6. 2017

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 76 FR 73870, Nov. 29, 2011, as amended at 77 FR 12966, Mar. 2, 2012

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# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, CASE NO. PU-13-333

## AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

# AFFIDAVIT OF NORTH DAKOTA RSA NO. 3 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by North Dakota RSA No. 3 Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-1226-03-597, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389007 to the Company.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification by the state to the FCC and USAC that all high-cost federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 and the September 9, 2013 Notice issued by Patrick Fahn on September 9, 2013 in Case No. PU-13-333. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support received during the preceding calendar year, and to be used in the coming calendar year, was and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7 and 54.314.

### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING, Inspected

State of North Dakota	)	DEC 12 2013
-	) ss.	FCC Mail Room
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Dave Dircks, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by North Dakota Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to North Dakota Telephone Company was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

	Dated this <u>31</u> day of <u>OCTOBE</u>	<u>°</u> , 2013.
		NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY
• :		Dave Dircks Its: Manager
Stat	te of North Dakota ) ) ss.	
Cou	inty of Ramsey )	
Man in ar	said County and State, personally appear nager of NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE C	, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and led DAVE DIRCKS, known to me to be the COMPANY, the corporation that is described acknowledged to me that such corporation
	SHAWNA M SENGER Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires Feb. 3,2016	For the State of North Dakota My commission expires: 3.3.3016

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### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

### AFFIDAVIT OF NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICESUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
3 t	) ss
County of Williams	)

Mike Steffan, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Northwest Communications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Northwest Communications Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this _ 4 day of _ Oct ber	, 2013.
# #	NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE  By Mike Steffan Its: Manager
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.	
County of Williams )	
On this 4 day of October for said County and State, personally appeared Manager of NORTHWEST COMMUNICATION described in and that executed the within instruction executed the same.	S COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is
JILENE ZERR Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires October 9, 2013	For the State of North Dakota My commission expires: 10-9-2013

#### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, CASE NO. PU-13-333

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## AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, WC DOCKET NO. 10-96CC Mail Room

#### AFFIDAVIT OF

NORTHWEST DAKOTA CELLULAR OF NORTH DAKOTA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-1226-03-597, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389007 to the Company.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification by the state to the FCC and USAC that all high-cost federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 and the September 9, 2013 Notice issued by Patrick Fahn on September 9, 2013 in Case No. PU-13-333. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support received during the preceding calendar year, and to be used in the coming calendar year, was and will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7 and 54.314.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2013.

Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership

By

Mark R. Smith

Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership

State of Georgia )
) ss.
County of Fulton )

On this 15th day of November, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Mark R. Smith, Assistant Secretary of CommNet Cellular Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Managing Agent of Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership.

Notary Public

My Commission expires March 06, 2017

TAMI KUSHNER NOTARY PUBLIC FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 6, 2017

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### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

# AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL AID CORPORATION STUDY AREAS 381630 AND 381614 REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Walsh	)

David L. Dunning, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager/CEO.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section

254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 18 day of September, 2013.

POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL AID CORPORATION

David L. Dunning

Its: General Manager/CEO

State of North Dakota ) ) ss.
County of Walsh )

On the 18 day of September, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DAVID L. DUNNING, known to me to be the General Manager/CEO of POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL AID CORPORATION, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

CAROL J. LAHAISE

Notary Public

State of North Dakota

My Commission Expires April 13, 2019

Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires:

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## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR TELCOM, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Walsh	)

David L. Dunning, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Polar Telcom, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Executive Vice President.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Polar Telcom, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R.

Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

day of September, 2013.

POLAR TELCOM, INC.

David L. Dunning

Its: Executive Vice President

State of North Dakota ) 55.

County of Walsh

day of September, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DAVID L. DUNNING, known to me to be the Executive Vice President of POLAR TELCOM, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

CAROL J. LAHAISE Notary Public State of North Dakota Commission Expires April 13, 2019

**Notary Public** For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires:\_

# AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING USE OF FEDERAL HIGH-COST AND CONNECT AMERICA FUND SUFFERM ROOM

#### STATE OF LOUISIANA

#### PARISH OF OUACHITA

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Further affiant sayeth not.

I, the undersigned, under penalty of perjury, state as follows:

- 1. I am the Executive Vice President of Operations Support and Controller of CenturyLink Inc. ("Carrier")
- I am a corporate officer of the above mentioned Carrier authorized to certify use of Federal High-Cost and Connect America Fund ("CAF") Support.
- 3. Carrier is an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") within the meaning of §214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, has been designated by the North Dakota Public Service Commission as an ETC, and is eligible to receive universal service support pursuant to §254(e) of the Act.
- 4. Carrier files this affidavit in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC's") Order of May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45, and WC Docket No. 10-90 released in FCC 11-191, November 18, 2011, which requires that each state certify to the FCC that all Federal High-Cost and CAF Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the new calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, regardless of the rule under which that support is provided.
- 5. Carrier hereby attests that it has used Federal High-Cost and CAF Support Funds from the preceding calendar year and will use said funds in the new calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to §254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, regardless of the rule under which that support is provided.

	David D. Cole
	Date
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	s 15 day of October, 2013
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#### AFFIDAVIT OF RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERA UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA	)
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COUNTY OF ROBERTS	)

Scott Bostrom, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by RC Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service;

(h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers. DATED this 15th day of July 2013. RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA ) COUNTY OF ROBERTS On this 15th day of July 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared SCOTT BOSTROM, known to me to be the CEO/General Manager of RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same. ROBER ESTIMANES My commission expires:\_ My Commission Expires Oct. 27, 2016

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION INFO SEMBIDIFICIONS 9-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF RED RIVER RURAL TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION STUDY AREA 381631

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA	)		JUN	2 7 2013	3   U
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Jeffrey J. Olson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Red River Rural Telephone Association (hereinafter, the "Company") in the position of General Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act) and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support) pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order") as codified in 47 C.F.R and 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.

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5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R and 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network: (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated: June 21 . 2013

Yeffer J. Oson, General Manager

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA ) ) ss.
COUNTY OF RICHLAND )

On this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of June, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Jeffrey J. Olson, known to me to be the General Manager of Red River Rural Telephone Association, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

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Notary Public for the State of North Dakota

My Commission Expires: Aug. 23, 2013

### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASEN GOOM PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
202	) ss
County Of Mountrail	)

Royce S. Aslakson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Reservation Telephone Cooperative (hereinafter, the "company"), in the position of CEO/General Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunication Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "ACT"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314,which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2012, and for all quarters thereafter.

Federal high cost support provided to Reservation Telephone Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low income consumers.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

Royce S. Aslakson

Its: CEO/General Manager

State of North Dakota)

)ss.

County of Mountrail

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Royce S. Aslakson, known to me to be the CEO/General Manager of Reservation Telephone Cooperative, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

MONICA M BANGEN
Notary Public
State of North Dakota
ly commission expires Apr 25, 2017

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Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: 4-25-17

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AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERTS COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIV			CIA	TIO	N		
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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA	)
	) ss.
COUNTY OF ROBERTS	)

Scott Bostrom, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association (hereinafter, the "Company") in the position of General Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all the Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2014 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service;

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(h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

DATED this 15 th day of July 2013.

ROBERTS COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

By: Authorita

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA ) ) ss. COUNTY OF ROBERTS )

On this 15th day of July 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared SCOTT BOSTROM, known to me to be the CEO/General Manager of ROBERTS COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, the cooperative association that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such cooperative association executed the same.

ROBER & Sherean Notary Public

My commission expires:

My Commission Expires Oct. 27, 2016



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### BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF SAGEBRUCH CELLULAR, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of Montana	)
	) ss.
County of Daniels	)

Remi Sun, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is employed by Sagebrush Cellular, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Chief Financial Officer.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Sagebrush Cellular, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4th day of Oc	toba, 2013.
	SAGEBRUSH CÉLLULAR, INC.
	Remi Sun Its: Chief Financial Officer
State of Montana ) ) ss.	
County of Daniels )	
Financial Officer of SAGEBRUSH CELLU	, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and beared REMI SUN, known to me to be the Chief ULAR, INC., the corporation that is described in and acknowledged to me that such corporation
* SEAL * Residing at Flaxville, Montana My Commission Expires	For the State of Montana My commission expires:

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# BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NORTH DAKOTA IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT
WC DOCKET NO. 10-90

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss
County of Ward	)

Steven D. Lysne, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- Affiant is Manager of SRT Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of CEO/General Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. §54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. §54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013, and for all quarters thereafter.

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5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to SRT Communications, Inc. was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 245(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. §54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. §54.101<sup>1</sup>, throughout the Company's study area: a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; b) minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge to end users; c) access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations, such as 911 and enhanced 911, to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier's service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems; and d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers as provided in Subpart E of 47 C.F.R. §54.400.

Dated this and day of October, 2013.

SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Steven D. Lysne

Its: CEO/General Manager

State of North Dakota

) ss.

County of Ward

On this day of October, 2013 before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Steven D. Lysne, known to me to be the CEO/General Manager of SRT Communications, Inc., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

TRACIE HANSEN
Notary Public
State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires Sept. 6, 2017

Notary Public for the State of

North Dakota

My Commission expires:

Sept 6, 2017

<sup>1 76</sup> FR 73870, Nov. 29, 2011, as amended at 77 FR 12966, Mar. 2, 2012

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441

AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota		)
¥	12	) ss
County of Cavalier		)

Perry Oster, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Turtle Mountain Communications (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Turtle Mountain Communications was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 8th day of October	, 2013.
	TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS  By Perry Ostes Its: Manager
State of North Dakota )	
County of Cavalier )	
On this <u>8th</u> day of <u>0ctober</u> for said County and State, personally appea Manager of TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICA and that executed the within instrument, and a executed the same.	ATIONS, the corporation that is described in
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 08/25/17	Tara Mikkelsen , Notary Public For the State of North Dakota My commission expires: 8.25.17

## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PUMBIOR AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORPORATIONREGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss
County of Cavalier	)

Perry Oster, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched

network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 8th day of October	, 2013.
	UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORPORATION
	Perry Ostes Its: Manager
State of North Dakota )	
County of Cavalier )	
On this 8th day of 0ctober for said County and State, personally appear Manager of UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL A described in and that executed the within instrict corporation executed the same.	AID CORPORATION, the corporation that is
COMMISSION EXPIRES 06/25/17	Tara Mikkelson, Notary Public For the State of North Dakota My commission expires: 8.35.17

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## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)

County of Sargent )ss.

Randy W. Houdek, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Venture Communications Cooperative, (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General manager/CEO.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. The Company serves 10 access lines within the boundaries of North Dakota and approximately 12,000 access lines within the boundaries of South Dakota.
- 4. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 5. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. \* 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. \* 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013, and for all quarters thereafter.
- 6. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2014 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. \* 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. \* 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to

emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.
Dated this 16th day of October, 2013.
VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE
Randy W. Houdek
Its: General Manager/CEO
State of South Dakota )
) ss.
On thisday of October 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared RANDY W. HOUDEK, known to me to be the General Manager/CEO for VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.
For the State of South Dakota  MARCH 10, 2016
My commission expires:

Received & inspected

### EXHIBIT C Affidavit

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA	)
	) ss.
COUNTY OF PERKINS	) ss.

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- 1. I am the General Manager of West River Cooperative Telephone Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is provided to support the Company's Request for Certification to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(d).
- 2. As an authorized representative of the Company, I hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, with respect to the receipt of any federal universal service funds received as high-cost loop support, local switching support, safety net additive support and/or safety valve support.
- 3. During 2012, the Company received federal universal service support as shown on Exhibit A to this affidavit and had investment and expenses relating to the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support was intended as also shown on Exhibit A. During 2012, the Company used the federal universal service support it received only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support was intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).
- 4. The Company certifies that it will use the federal universal service support it receives during 2014 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).
- 5. The Company certifies that it (i) is in compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules; (ii) is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in Chapter 69-09-05, Section 69-09-05-12.1; (iii) provides a flat-rated local exchange service free of per minute charges; and (iv) provides equal access to long distance carriers.

General Manager

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 21 day of June 2013.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: 7-20-17

## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. MARIO ROOM

## AFFIDAVIT OF WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss.
County of Mercer	)

Bonnie Krause, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by West River Telecommunications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to West River Telecommunications Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c)

access to emergency services; and (d) toll lir consumers.	mitation services to qualifying low-income
Dated this day of Oct do	, 2013.
	WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE
	By Bonnie Krause Its: Manager
State of North Dakota ) ) ss.	
County of Mercer )	
On this 760 day of October for said County and State, personally appeared Manager of WEST RIVER TELECOMMUNICATION that is described in and that executed the within such corporation executed the same.	ATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation
	JANE SCHRAMM Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires Sept. 20, 2018

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## BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 10-90

## AFFIDAVIT OF WOLVERSON TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota	)
	) ss
County of Walsh	)

David L. Dunning, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Wolverton Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Executive Vice President.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 10-90 (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2013 and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Wolverton Telephone Company was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support for the following services, as

designated in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; (b) minutes of use for local service at no additional charge; (c) access to emergency services; and (d) toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 18 day of September, 2013.

#### **WOLVERTON TELEPHONE COMPANY**

David L. Dunning

Its: Executive Vice President

State of North Dakota ) ss.
County of Walsh )

On the day of September, 2013, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DAVID L. DUNNING, known to me to be the Executive Vice President of WOLVERTON TELEPHONE COMPANY, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

CAROL J. LAHAISE

Notary Public

State of North Dakota

Scannission Expires April 13, 2019

For the State of North Dakota

**Notary Public** 

My commission expires:\_